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FOR SMALL COMPUTER DEVICES

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE & INTERVIEW SUMMARY

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Dear Sir:

The Applicants acknowledge the allowance of claims 6, 8-14, and 26-35 in the subject application by the Examiner with appreciation. The Applicants point out that the reasons set forth by the Examiner are not the only reasons that claims 6, 8-14, and 26-35 are allowable. The Applicants agree with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, mailed January 24, 2008, to the extent that the claims of the present invention are patentable over the references in the record. However, the Applicants do not necessarily acquiesce or agree in any manner as to the comments made by the Examiner regarding what the prior art does or does not teach. In addition, the Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that any comment is intended or has the effect of limiting a claim scope, explicitly or implicitly, by not reciting verbatim the respective claim language, or is intended or

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has the effect of limiting a claim scope by stating or implying that all the reasons for patentability are in any way fully enumerated.

Further reasons for allowance beyond those enumerated by the Examiner are described and set forth in the Applicants' Specification. As the Examiner's reasons for allowance are not exhaustive, such reasons for allowance do not establish an estoppel against the Applicants seeking and obtaining allowance of additional, broader claims in a continuation application, which the Applicants reserve the right to file.

Interview Summary

Elizabeth J. Reagan, the Applicants' Representative, thanks Examiner Haresh Patel for the telephonic interview conducted on July 6, 2008. During the interview, Ms. Reagan and Examiner Patel discussed the proposed Examiner's claim amendments. An agreement was reached. Again, the Applicants thank Examiner Patel for his time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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